

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended) ~~The tonneau system according to Claim 1 wherein~~ A tonneau system for a cargo box of a vehicle, said cargo box having a sidewall, said tonneau system comprising:

a support frame having a clamp-retaining member;

a cover spanning said support frame; and

a clamp being positionable in a clamping position operable to couple said support frame to the sidewall of the cargo box and an unclamping position disengaged from the sidewall of the cargo box, said clamp having a retaining feature engagable with said clamp retaining member so as to support said clamp from said support frame when said clamp is in said unclamping position, said clamp retaining member is an upwardly directed flange and said retaining feature of said clamp is a downwardly directed hook engagable with said upwardly directed flange.

3. (Original) The tonneau system according to Claim 2 wherein said clamp comprises:

a first clamp member having a plurality of alignment depressions,

a second clamp member having an alignment head, said alignment head positionable in any one of said plurality of alignment depressions to permit said second clamp member to be positioned at any one of a plurality of discrete positions along said first clamp member; and

a fastener coupling said first clamp member to said second clamp member.

4. (Original) A tonneau system for a cargo box of a vehicle, said cargo box having a sidewall, said tonneau system comprising:

a support frame;

a cover spanning said support frame; and

a clamp being positionable in a clamping position operable to couple said support frame to the sidewall of the cargo box and an unclamping position disengaged from the sidewall of the cargo box, said clamp comprising:

a first clamp member having a plurality of alignment depressions,

a second clamp member having an alignment head, said alignment head positionable in any one of said plurality of alignment depressions to permit said second clamp member to be positioned at any one of a plurality of discrete positions along said first clamp member; and

a fastener coupling said first clamp member to said second clamp member.

5. (Original) The tonneau system according to Claim 4 wherein said support frame includes a clamp retaining member and said one of said first clamp member and said second clamp member having a retaining feature engagable with said clamp retaining member so as to support said clamp from said support frame when said clamp is in said unclamping position.

6. (Original) The tonneau system according to Claim 5 wherein said clamp retaining member is an upwardly directed flange and said retaining feature of said second clamp member is a downwardly directed hook engagable with said upwardly directed flange.

7. (Previously Presented) A tonneau system for a cargo box of a vehicle, said cargo box having a sidewall, said tonneau system comprising:

- a support frame having an upwardly directed flange;

- a cover spanning said support frame; and

- a clamp being positionable in a clamping position operable to couple said support frame to the sidewall of the cargo box and an unclamping position disengaged from the sidewall of the cargo box; and

- a downwardly directed hook extending from said clamp, said downwardly directed hook engaging said upwardly directed flange to support said clamp relative to said support frame when said clamp is in said unclamping position.

8. (Previously Presented) The tonneau system according to Claim 7 wherein said clamp comprises:

a first clamp member having a plurality of alignment depressions,

a second clamp member having an alignment head, said alignment head positionable in any one of said plurality of alignment depressions to permit said second clamp member to be positioned at any one of a plurality of discrete positions along said first clamp member; and

a fastener coupling said first clamp member to said second clamp member.

9. (New) A tonneau system for a cargo box of a vehicle, said cargo box having a sidewall, said tonneau system comprising:

a support frame having an upward flange;

a cover spanning said support frame; and

a clamp being positionable in a clamping position operable to couple said support frame to the sidewall of the cargo box and an unclamping position disengaged from the sidewall of the cargo box, said clamp having a hooked flange engageable with said upward flange so as to support said clamp from said support frame when said clamp is in said unclamping position and permit removal of said clamp from said support frame by an upward lifting action.